

to Wibald of Stable who was successful
in securing both that city and Genoa for the
crusade against Roger,

On the 17th July, Salerno was besieged in full force; Neapolitan ships joined gladly with the Pisans, Genoese, and Anwlfilans, 480 ships in all, in cutting it oft* by sen; Robert of Capua threw an army round it from the, land, and Henry of Ba- varia, who hud returned from Lago Pcsole with one thousand Germans, joined him on the 24th, The siege of Roger's mainland capital was vigorous but brief. Salerno ulonc of all the scaeost towns was loyal to Roger; it was held by tho new Chan- cellor, Robart of Belby, a valiant and devoted man, with four hundred knighta and forty galleys, On the 8th August, the Bmperor himself and the Pope arrived by Avdlino and San Severino, and joined in the siege, The Pisans now seemed about to end the resistance of the eityj they had built wooden towera high overlooking tho walls, and proceeded to shatter them with discharges of stones, But they weru baulked by the timely submission of the SalerniUins on the next day after Lothar's arrival; for a sum of gold, the Emperor put the city under **his** protection, and

granted to
Robert free exit, Tha latter, however,
retired,
with the four hundred and those who
were faithful
still, to the ciixtta ix'himl the town,
The surrender threw the PisantJ into
fury. They
had been cheated at the lar.t moment
both of
booty and revenge, By it sudden *wlte-*
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